PICKET SHOTS.

From Alert Comrades Along the Whole &

Lige.

Comrade Simon Westway writes: "I desire to respond to a challenge given by Comrade Henry Wise, in issue of Aug. 25, in which the comrade says: 'Who is the youngest soldier who carried a gun in the war of the rebellion? I believe I have the honor. I was born Ian. 19, 1850; culisted BEVEN ENLISTMENTS-TWO MUSTERS! honor. I was born Jan. 19, 1850; enlisted

Feb. 22, 1864; served until the war closed: I gave my age as 19, but I was only 14 years old. Beat it if you can, boys!

"Good boy! Comrade Wise, it certainly will take a very tender Spring chicken to beat it." Yet, the very fact that you are so young helps make it easy to knock you off the roost! What a fine substitute you make for a Boston squab, fresh on the market. I admit cruelty in tumbling your market. I admit cruelty in tumbling your callow anatomy from the elected perch you have taken, under the delusion that you are the only little chickey on the branch! Wise you are, but wiser you would have been had you not lit on the third page of The National Tribune for your little crow. Now, hold your little neck!

"I was born a son to John and Mary Westway, at Mount Pleasant, Pa., May 8, 1850 (that does you up!), and was given the name of Simon; my beloved mother died soon after, and I was adopted by James and Margaret Wilson, of Harford, Susquehanna Co., Pa., and was renamed Robert Wilson. On May 10, 1861, I tried to enlist, at Harford, but failed—as I did dozens and dozens of times afterwards, until the middle of April, 1864, when, at Chicago, Ill., I enlisted under the name of Palent Wilson. (Co. C. 1924 Ill.) Robert Wilson, in Co. G, 142d Ill.; was kept in Camp Fry until June 15, 1864; was then sent to Camp Bulter, Springfield, Ill., and was mustered in June 20, to serve 100 days, and was promptly sent to the front; served nearly twice the term of my enlistment; was sent back to Chicago. and honorably discharged; but was cheated out of \$50 bounty that I was entitled to. out of \$50 bounty that I was entitled to, and have never yet received! I then went back to Pennsylvania, Feb. 22, 1865, again enlisted, under the same name as before, in Co. F, 214th Pa., known as the 8th Union League, to serve for one year; served full time and was honorably discharged at Camp Cadwalader. Thus I served 18 months, altogether, carrying a gun both times—and the weapon was nearly as large as myself. In addition to this I served as waiter for Capt. Lyons, of Co. A, 57th Pa. (commanded by Col. Sides) while that regiment was in Winter Sides) while that regiment was in Winter quarters at Culpeper, Va., Winter of 1863-4; but was not evisted, of course. I made about 50 attempts (not less) during the war, and was enlisted seven times; once as drummer, once as bugler; once in the cavalry; once as 'powdermonkey" (on a gunboat), and once in light artillery. But I only managed to get mus-tered in twice. Next?"

PREPARING FOR THE WORST.

Comrade J. H. Kauffman, Assistant Surgeon, 151st Pa., writes: "Apropos of article in The National Tribune of Aug. 11, 'Meade's Opportunity,' by Aaron Levy, U. S. Signal Corps, Army of Potomac, I would say that I have written a good many articles on Gettysburg and other incidents and I find that many good soldiers will not believe anything printed of which they have no personal knowledge; so I will not talk Gettysburg although I would be justified as the regiment I was then Surgeon of—151st Pa.—went into action July 1, 1863, with 21 officers and 446 men, and lost: Officers killed, 2; wounded, 183; captured, 93; total, killed, 51; wounded, 191; captured, 95; aggregate, 337. We were in left-center, the second day and alongside of Stannard's Vermont Brigade on the third day, away ahead of Hancock's big Indians. I shall only send you true copy of an order brought to me, showing that some people pretty close to headquarters had buckfever pretty badly, as late as July 17, 1863. I have been asked, even by men wearing stars, not to publish this order; but I think The National Tribune should know of this order before I am eternally pro-"Headquarters Third Division, First Corps, July 17, 1863.

'Doctor: I have detailed you to remain with sick and wounded in case of retreat at next engagement.

"Very respectfully, your obedient servant.

WM. T. HUMPHREY.

"'J. H. KAUFFMAN, Assistant Surgeon "I might tell you more, but this is

legal evidence.

PAROLED BUT NOT EXCHANGED. Comrade John W. Cole, Co. E, 107th Ill., writes: "I see in The National Tribune a sketch of my old regiment. I was at the battle of Franklin. F. M. Lowerly,

was my old Captain; then Colonel of the regiment. I helped carry him off the field. I was captured by Morgan, Dec. 22, 1862, Dec. 2, 1862, I suffered an injury to my right knee. In the charge at Resaca, Ga., I received a charge of gooseshot in my right jaw, from which I suffered total deafness of right ear. I am 62 years old; unable to work; would like to hear from comrades of the company and regiment."

Comrade J. V. Pownall, First Sergeaut Co. E, 29th Ind., writes: "Comrade John Solder, Co. H. 16th Ill., says he can beat home to see the mothers and the girls we had left behind us. It was claimed that one. We look forward each year to the the 29th Ind. was the first regiment in time when we shall again meet and live the Army of the Cumberland to veteranize: over those days of long ago, and still, and on the strength of that claim we got the post of honor at Chattanooga. The 29th Ind. was mustered Aug. 24, 1861. and discharged Dec. 2, 1865. I served

FIRST TO VETERANIZE.

four years, three months and eight days.' SCATTERING. Comrade Nelson Purcell, Co. E, 27th Ind., writes: "Most of us old comrades are poor and not in good health. It is well that we keep up our interest in each

knew and depended upon and helped each other like brothers." Comrade J. J. Boyer, Commander of Barnhill Post, 162, Xenia, Ill., writes: "I wish to find the names and addresses of

about the fighting we did and the hard times we endured when we were boys, serving our country together in the field in 1861-65. I know that we did not do all the fighting that was done; but we did our share of it. We never failed when we our share of it. We never failed when we country together in the field in 1861-65. I know that we did not do our share of it. We never failed when we country together in the field in 1861-65. I know that we did not do of January. Chapin is No. 2 in size, as our share of it. We never failed when we country together in the field in 1861-65. I know that we did not do of January. Chapin is No. 2 in size, as our share of it. We never failed when we construct the field in 1861-65. I know that we did not do of January. Chapin is No. 2 in size, as our share of it. We never failed when we construct the field in 1861-65. I know that we did not do of January. Chapin is No. 2 in size, as our share of it. We never failed when we construct the field in 1861-65. I know that we did not do of January. Chapin is No. 2 in size, as our share of it. We never failed when we construct the field in 1861-65. I know that we did not do of January. Chapin is No. 2 in size, as our share of it. We never failed when we construct the field in 1861-65. I know that we did not do of January. Chapin is No. 2 in size, as our share of it. We never failed when we construct the field in 1861-65. I know that we did not do of January. Chapin is No. 2 in size, as our share of it. We never failed when we can share of the field in 1861-65. I know that we did not do of January. Chapin is No. 2 in size, as our share of it. We never failed when we can share of the field in 1861-65. I know that we did not do of January chapital share of the form of the Call-form of the Callwere called upon. I was back in Missouri, some time ago, and I procured a relic or

A short history of a Notable Regiment will appear each week.

A Notable Regiment.

SIXTH WISCONSIN INFANTRY.

IRON BRIGADE - WADSWORTH'S DIVISION - FIRST CORPS.

(1) COL. LYSANDER CUTLER: BVT. MAJOR-GEN. (2) COL EDWARD & RRAGG . Rate -Gr

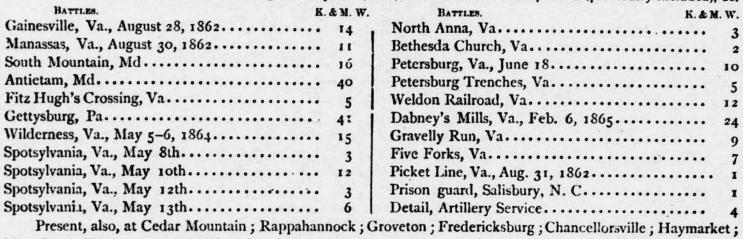
(3) COL. RUFUS R. DAWES ; BYT. BRIG.-GEN.

COMPANIES.	KILLED AND DIED OF WOUNDS.			DIED OF DISEASE, ACCIDENTS, IN PRISON, &c.			Total
	Officers.	Men.	Total.	Officers.	Men.	Total.	Enrollment
Field and Staff	2		2	1			18
Company A	I	28	29		13	13	193
<u>B</u>	2	25	27		9	9	191
C	1	14	15		12	12	179
D	1	28	29		6	6	208
<u>E</u>	2	15	17		14	14	185
F	3	17	20		9	9	151
G	2	23	25		13	13	202
H		19	19	60 A 10 E	11	11	220
I	• •	37	37		15	. 15	196
K	2	. 22	24	•	10	10	197
Totals	16	228	244	1	112	113	1,940

244 killed — 12.5 per cent.

Of the 1.058 men originally enrolled, 179 were killed — 16 9 per cent.

Total of killed and wounded, 867; missing and captured, 112; died in Confederate prisons (previously included), 20.

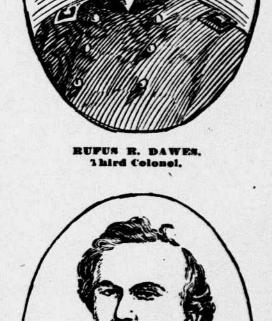


Detail, Artillery Service..... 4 Present, also, at Cedar Mountain; Rappahannock; Groveton; Fredericksburg; Chancellorsville; Haymarket; Mine Run; Totopotomoy; Boydton Road; Appomattox.

Notes.—The regiment left Wisconsin July 28, 1861, proceeding to Washington, where it was assigned to the brigade which was destined to fill such a glorious place in the annals of the war. The Sixth had the advantage of a year's drill and discipline before it was called upon to face the enemy in a general engagement, its first battle occurring at Manassas - August 28th and 30th - where it lost 17 killed, 91 wounded, and 11 missing. The regiment lost at South Mountain, 11 killed, 79 wounded, and 2 missing; and at Antietam, three days after. 26 killed, and 126 wounded. Under command of Colonel Dawes, it won merited distinction at Gettysburg in the battle of the first day; all histories of that field mention the manœuvre - and the part taken in it by the Sixth by which a part of a Confederate brigade was captured in the railroad cut. The casualties at Gettysburg were 30 killed, 116 wounded, and 22 missing. Upon the reorganization of the Army in March, 1864, Wadsworth's Division was transferred to the Fifth Corps, and with it the Iron Brigade under General Cutler. The regiment lost at the battle of the Wilderness, 8 killed, 40 wounded, and 15 missing; at Spotsylvania, 10 killed, 68 wounded, and 5 missing; at Hatcher's Run (Dabney's Mills), 13 killed, 81 wounded, and 7 missing; at Gravelly Run, 5 killed, 34 wounded, and 32 missing. Major Phillip W. Plummer was killed at the Wilderness.



NOTE: Any subscriber who was a member of this regiment can have, upon request, a copy of this short history printer on good paper, suitable for framing. There will be no charge for it. Address THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE, Washington, D. C.



De of Battle Fing (2d Miss.) Captured by

JOHN A. KELLOGG. Fourth Colonel.

Sons of Veterans Auxiliary.

Van Horn's History, page 210, he will find that Gen. Thomas did make the proposition to move his army through Snake Creek Gap. As is well known, McPher-son did not have men enough, just as Thomas told Sherman. Now, which was slow? Sherman's reasons may have fully satisfied him-as they did with reference to Kenesaw-but were they good?" Comrade Alanson Warner writes: "I crediated delegates, besides many visiting was about as young as any of them when members. The Convention was held in I enlisted, Sept. 9, 1863, being in my 17th Fremont Temple. One of the most im-

leave from Benton Barracks, and when when I came home and regained my health ciety has been the recognized Auxiliary of

EDWARD S. BRAGG.

Battle Flag of the 6th Wisconsin Carried

at Gettysburg.

LYSANDER CUTLER,

First Colonel.

Comrade A. L. Blendnal, Co. H, 83d

EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: On Aug. Comrade R. H. Robinson, 95th Pa., as a 31 and Sept. 1 occurred at Peru, Ind., the veteranize Nov. 30, 1863, at Bridgeport, who stood shoulder to shoulder together in amidst our joy,

> "With sounds of martial music, And reverential tread, We pause amid our pleasures To greet our comrades dead; Though in our great rejoicing A hush comes o'er the soul As we listen in the silence While memory calls the roll."

The Memorial Committee reported that other and communicate through our paper. 13 of our comrades had answered the last I enjoy the letters of the dear old com- roll call and passed over the river since rades, and look always for those from the 27th Ind., 2d Mass., 3d Wis., 13th N. J. and 29th Pa. These regiments were together about all through the war, and they gether about all through the war, and they have and depended upon and helped each

wish to find the names and addresses of any veterans who were in a railroad wreck near Jackson, Tenn., Aug. 1, 1862.

I want to correspond with comrades who were there."

Comrade Wm. G. Letsinger writes: "I was so well pleased to see a note from a recent issue of our paper that I had to kiss the dear old National Tribune. I. too. was a member of the famous Hog Killers."

Post had nearly 150 men in line at Boston, with 26 old battleflags and the prize banner we won at Chicago by having the most men in line of any Post in our Department, and a magnificent new silk American flag given by Chapin Woman's Relief Corps, 4, just before we started for Boston, and other bauners. I think, next to Lafayette Post, we had more men in line at Boston, and other bauners. I think, next to Lafayette Post, we had more men in line at Boston, and other bauners. I think, next to Lafayette Post, we had more men in line at Boston, and other bauners. I think, next to Lafayette Post, we had more men in line at Boston, and other bauners. I think, next to Lafayette Post, we had more men in line at Boston, and other bauners. I think, next to Lafayette Post, we had more men in line at Boston, and other bauners. I think, next to Lafayette Post, we had more men in line at Boston, and other bauners. I think, next to Lafayette Post, we had more men in line at Boston, and the prize ests. Gen. Dustin is the Judge-Advocate of Illinois Division, Sons of Veterans—the division of Illinois D Comrade J. L. Taylor writes: "I have Post appropriated \$500 toward the boys' Correspondent, Toledo, Ohio. taken The National Tribune for 20 years. expenses, and they all say they had the Long I have wanted to see if some of the time of their life. We took in four new 1st Ark. Cav. would not write to our paper members last Friday night, and I have about the fighting we did and the hard three more applications for our next meet-

A Great Invention.

some time ago, and I procured a relic or memento while there—a piece of wood from the tree that a rebel stood behind when he took Comrade James Reese and me in! Oh, how my heart ached when we were taken in, that time!"

A Great invention.

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A committee was appointed to prepare and report a truthful history of the battle of Bear River, fought in January, is and the patent. His agents are making as high as \$500 per month. Write for Golo.

The officers elected are: President. Otto Comrade J. W. Blewett, 98th Ohio, writes: "If Comrade Hartman (see issue of Sept. 1) will take the trouble to read of free particulars.

Mr. Stransky wants a rew good men to lead. The next meeting will be in Denver, as high as \$500 per month. Write for Colo.

The officers elected are: President, Otto

EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: The 18th

National Encampment of the Ladies' Aid Society was held in Boston in conjunction with the Sons of Veterans, at their second sistant, Lyman Mason; Historian, John lank more than 11 miles long. If we could National Meeting held with the G. A. R. and kindred organizations. This was one of the largest National Conventions in the history of the Order, there being 132 acyear. I enlisted in Co. C. 42d, and was portant acts of legislation was changing at Elizabethtown, Ky., and paroled; but taken prisoner June 22, 1864. I was kept of the name to "Sons of Veterans' Auxil-I was never exchanged. I went home on in that rebel pesthouse till Nov. 20, 1864, iary." For 18 years the Ladies' Aid So-President Lincoln issued his proclamation enough to report for duty. I was then put the Sons of Veterans. On the 18th birthfor all persons on parole or furlough to re into Co. C, 59th (N. Y.?) where I served day of the National Organization the port to their regiments I joined mine. I till the end. I was on the skirmish line members took the name of the association was in all of its subsequent engagements. when Lee surrendered. The following National officers were Ind., writes: "I had four brothers in the 47th Iil.; one of them was taken prisoner and was starved to death by the rebels. Vice-President, Mrs. Estella Richards, When I learned that I determined that Weymouth Heights, Mass.; Treasurer, Miss When I learned that I determined that they should never take me alive. Please ask the — of Company B to return that belt to me.

Reunion of 39th Ind.

Weymouth Heights, Mass., Freasurer, Mass. Heavier, Mass. Heavier, Mass. Julia A. Moynihan, Rochester, N. Y.; Inspector, Mrs. Della A. C. Goodrick, Washington, D. C.; M. and I. Officer, Mrs. H. Pauline Crighton, Champaign,

Comrade R. H. Robinson, 95th Pa., as a 31 and Sept. 1 occurred at 1 et al., 18th veteranizer. Well I can beat either of them. My regiment (29th Ind.) began to Cav.) which was attended by 83 of the boys Beach, Cal.: Judge Advocate General, 25th Cav.) Which was attended by 83 of the boys Beach, Cal.: Judge Advocate General, 25th Cav.) Ala. I reenlisted Dec. 5, 1863. We then 1861 to 1865 and helped win the proud James H. Lawney, Philadelphia, Pa.; got our 30-days' furlough and started for record which this regiment made in those Press Correspondent, Kate G. Raynor,

National headquarters have been estab-lished at 953 N. Jessup St., Philadelphia,

With a membership of almost 5,000; with over \$1,400 in the National Treas ury, the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary starts the year with brilliant prospects.

The Sons of Veterans' and the Ladies' Aid Societies of Massachusetts spared no labor to make all visitors welcome and their entertainments were most enjoyable. The Knightswood Indiana Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans' Home Band serenaded the convention. The sisters took up a col-lection and presented each boy 54 cents for spending money, raising \$19.50 for the

One of the pleasantest events of the Convention was the first official visit made by our new Commander-in-Chief, W. G. Dustin, of Illinois, and his staff. Gen. Dustin is a warm friend and a firm supporter of the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary. Comrade Chas. A. Orr writes: "Chapin and he assured the members that he would Post had nearly 150 men in line at Bos-

Reunion of California Veterans.

The new administration of the Cal campment. There were present 29 members, to whom were welcomed seven new

The officers elected are: President, Otto Union last year, and form them into a co

Mears; First Vice-President, S. S. Longley: Second Vice-President, G. A. Lloyd: ing three feet to each rank, in good march-Third Vice-President, J. L. Merriam; Secing order, we would have a picturesque

Center County (Pa) Veterans.

EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: The Vet- we would have the imposing sight of a eran Club of Center County, Pa., held line of churches reaching one mile. their 30th Annual Basket Picnic Reunion During the year, missionaries Sept. 10, in Hunter's Park, seven miles Union visited thousands of homes, many west of Bellefonte, the County seat of of them have rarely, if ever, been entered Center County. This annual picnic was by a Christian minister. By words of adlargely attended not only by-the veterans, monition and circulating good literature but by the people in general, fully 2,000 secured the hearty cooperation of many being present. Able speakers were intro- parents in the good work. duced, and the day was joyously spent in kindly greetings, and will long be remem-visited by the missionaries, and place them bered by all who were present. The only side by side, allowing 20 feet to each house regret was that Gen. James A. Beaver, we would have a line of homes 830 miles President of the Club, could not be present, long, extending over hill and valley, further having met with an accident only a few than from Philadelphia, Pa., to Louisville, days previous .- W. H. BARTHOLOMEW, Ky. Co. F, 2d Pa. Cav.

An Expression of Appreciation.

Here follows a copy of a letter of appreciation that needs no explanation: "To the Honorable, the Secretary of the Interior, Washington D. C. "Dear Sir: In accordance with resolu-

tion adopted by Strong Vincent Post, 67, Department of Pennsylvania, G. A. R., Erie, Pa., at their last meeting, April 18, 1904, I am instructed to announce that we approve of the adoption of the new pension rule which went into effect April 13, 1904, and most heartily concur with the action of your honorable department, and herewith most respectfully tender you this evidence of our appreciation. "Very respectfully, etc.,

VOLNEY B. ST. JOHN, "Adjutant."

Andrew Johnson's Sons.

EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: In your is sue of the first of this month, giving the history of the Presidents' sons, you say that Andrew Johnson had a son and two daughters. This is an error. He had three sons. The first was a physician, and was sons. The first was a physician, and was a Surgeon in the army during our civil war. As I now remember it, he fell from his horse, and was killed. At any rate, he has been dead for many years. The second son was Robert, and he was Colonel of the 4th Tenn., which regiment was afterwards transferred to the cavalry, and given the name of the let Tenn Cay, comgiven the name of the 1st Tenn. Cav., commanded by Col. James P. Brownlow. Col. Johnson resigned about the time of the change from infantry to cavalry, and died n a few years. The youngest son was named Andrew, and appeared to be a young man of promise and strong mental powers. As I am informed, he did not govern himself as was best, and for that reason accomplished but little. He died when quite a young man, and the three sons lie in their graves by the side of their ather, on the eminence near Greenville,

I have been at their graves several times, and remember Col. Robert and Andrew well, although I was not personally acquainted with them, further than to know them when I met them. I have seen the

The American Sunday School Union re-cently completed its 80th year's work for the neglected children of our country, and

umn, standing five abreast in ranks, allow (Sunset Magazine.)

Showing Up.

Hon. Bertie-Well, what is it?

eall again, sir, he'd show you up.

understand?

take all the churches which grew out of Union Bible Schools last year, and stand them end to end, allowing 40 feet to each During the year, missionaries of the

An Ostrich-Farm Miserere.

At night mournful sounds, like human groans, issue from the Cawston ostrich farm, at Pasadena, Cal., and a sympathetic soul may wonder if the birds are lamenting the vanity of womankind, which the cause of their captivity; a child who does not look below the surface for cause and effect believes them to be Day enlisted at Harrisburg, Pa., and happily asleep and snoring. Inquiry reveals that this noise, called "bromming," served three years and three months in the famous old 7th Pa. Cav. indicates neither misery nor somnolence, but is the means provided by nature for reventing the approach of enemies. Very lifferent from their uncouth parents are wood Cemetery, near Memphis, Tenn., the little chicks. With heads and necks a plot in Forrest Park, where a fine eques down-covered and prettily striped in tan and brown, and bodies like fringy little The remains of Mrs. Forrest will be fluff balls, they reverse the story of the placed beside her husband. "Ugly Duckling." As soon as hatched "Ugly Duckling." As soon as hatched they are taken from their parents, who are Black Horse troop of cavalry, which beunsuccessful in rearing them. Feeding on green alfalfa they grow at the enormous Showing Up.

(London Judy.)

Hon. Bertie—I say, Spinks! The next time my tailor calls show him up. You understand?

Spinks—Yessir, but—er—
Hon. Bertie—Well what is it?

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Green analia they grow at the enormous rate of a foot a month. Their average height when full grown is seven feet, their weight 300 pounds. When eight months old they pass from the primary to the intermediate department, mingling in the large paddock with birds of various the first time since the death of her hus-

PERSONAL.

A movement is on foot to erect a mor ment to the memory of the author of "Dixle," Daniel Decatur Emmett, in Mt. Vernon, Ohio, the city of his birth and death. Upon the occasion of the death of Mr. Emmett, which occurred recently, the Mayor of Mt. Vernon, at the request of the lodge of Elks of that city, who had charge of the funeral, appointed a com-mittee of prominent citizens to act as a memorial commission to solicit and receive subscriptions to the fund for the monu-

Capt. Josiah A. Richmond, a California pioneer, died at Shelbourne Falls, Mass., Sept. 7. He was a Captain in the 52d Mass., and was the last surviving Cap-tain of that regiment.

Comrade Dr. J. J. Purman, First Lieutenant, Co. A. 140th Pa., a member of Kit Carson Post, Washington, D. C., and for many years connected with the Pension Office, is lying at home convalescing after a severe surgical operation some weeks since. Dr. Purman was a good sollier, winning a Medal of Honor. He lost a leg at Gettysburg. His many friends will be glad to learn that his speedy recovery seems well assured

Alexander Pollock, 66 years old, a retired mechanical engineer, who was at the head of the staff of engineers which Capt. Ericsson had with him in the construc-tion of the Monitor, and who served with Ericsson until the close of the war, died at Glenridge, N. J., Sept. 3. He was a member of the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers, the American Yacht Club, the Nyack Boat Club, and a director and character member of the Clin director and charter member of the Clinton Bank. He was at one time interested in the American Contracting Company, which built part of the Nicaraguan Canal. Mr. Pollock was also a member of George Washington Post, G. A. R., of

The real heads of the Parker Campaign are regarded as William F. Sheehan, or "Blue-eyed Willie," as he is sometimes called, and August Belmont. Mr. Sheehan is an active politician of great ability, and has been for many years D. B. Hill's most intimate friend and trusted lieutenant. He was at one time Lieutenant-Governor of New York, and is a very wealthy man, growing out of his connec-tion with the Standard Oil Co. and other corporations. As soon as he was sure of Parker's nomination he rented a house at Esopus so as to be constantly near his at Esopus so as to be constantly near his chief. August Belmont is one of the very ablest men in New York. After the death of his father, in 1890, he founded the great banking house which bears his name and which is one of the city's institutions. His great stroke was going against the advice and assembled wisdom of the other able New York financiers to back the Underground railway project. For many derground railway project. For many years nothing had been done on the railway, but at last John B. McDonald got he contract to build the road, and Mr. Belmont at once entered into the scheme with the greatest earnestness, pledging his firm to back it to the amount of \$35,000,000. It is supposed that his profits on the railroad will be not less than \$1,000,000 a year, and he is now trying to secure other subway systems, and eventually control the intramural travel of the City of New York. He is also a great horse and dog man, and is interested in many directions. He is not regarded as a broker or a Wall Street manipulator, but rather as a builder and organizer.

Comrade Seymour D. Thompson died at East Orange, N. J., Aug. 11. He entered the service when but 18 years old; en-listing in the 3d Iowa; was promoted to Captain of Co. I, 3d U. S. Colored Heavy Artillery. After the war he settled in St. Louis, joined Ransom Post, 131, devoted himself to the law, and for some years was Judge of the Court of Appeals. He was eminent for his knowledge of law, and in 1898 removed to the East to become editor of American Law Review. He was conspicuous for his zeal, energy and eloquence at every National Encampment of the G. A. R., and was always compelled to make special addresses on those occasions. His name was printed on the official programs for the Boston Encampment for the principal address at Gloucester, this year. Instead of his address the au-dience stood while taps was sounded for

John D. Rockefeller, jr., has the ambition to make his Bible Class in the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church in New York the largest and most notable in the United States. He has begun an active cam-paign in this direction. The class now numbers 400 active members, and it is hoped to have 1,000 of these between the ages of 18 and 45 before the end of the

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ages. They swallow oranges whole now along a benefit performance of local talent for beneficial purposes.

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